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One-sided courtesy and generosity do not last long.

It is great to be generous, but greater to be just.

When will some genius discover smokeless tobacco?

Many people bear good reputations because they are not known.

The cold storage egg has just cause for complaint of the little respect paid to age.

Lady footwalkers are the latest in vogue in New York. Will the sales girls stand it?

Telling your troubles is a bad habit, but, after all, it is a good deal better than telling other people's troubles.

A man's brain is ten per cent heavier than his stomach, necessitating a diet. Especially the morning after.

London expects to have a population of 16,000,000 in 1929. The rest of England will then be merely London's backyard.

Some bees just put into cold storage in Indiana will wake up in the Philippines. Perhaps their first mental exclamation will be "Stung!"

There is to be a world's fair in Tokyo in 1912. Japan has to wait a long time for the hoochee-koochee, but it will get there at last.

It is said that modesty is a disease, but it is not contagious. If it were, some of our politicians might have less to say about themselves.

Bachelors and old maids furnish most of the world's criminals, says a college professor, not so married people furnish every one of them.

California claims to have the crookiest railroad in the world, but it is hardly the time to boast until after all the railroads have been investigated.

Mr. Carnegie continues to be as comparatively serious in his tastes that it is hard sometimes to believe that he is really a Pittsburgh millionaire.

About \$600,000,000 is the value of the egg and poultry production this year. It is a lot of money to tie up in cold storage plants for four or five years.

Some men must have been disappointed on reading the article under the headline, "To Acquire Good Hands," to find that it was a collection of manicure suggestions.

Zola, on being asked what impressed him most in England, replied: "The sight of so many hairpins strewn along the paths." Zola all his life looked down, instead of up.

When they hear their town accused of pacifist sympathies, Philadelphians can always point with pride to the fact that the annual football battle between the army and the navy takes place there.

We understand that Washington's new union station is so magnificent that Washington people who cannot afford to travel take a walk through it and feel almost as if they had been to Niagara Falls.

Football, with its revised rules providing for open formation, has been less fatal than usual this year and much more interesting. The play is bound to disappear along with brutality, for public sentiment is roused against both.

Italy leads all the countries of Europe in foreign postal orders drawn in the United States. The total sum which Italians in this country sent home during November was over \$600,000. That ought to make Italy even more sunny.

An English postman has just retired after a service of 40 years, with a record of having traveled 239,656 miles in the course of his duties. There are no statistics available of the number of tailors' bills and love letters he has carried.

As usual after a financial crisis, bankers urge the need of establishing in this country something like the Bank of England, to manage the national currency. The present system is antiquated and bad, and any suggestion for improvement deserves respectful examination.

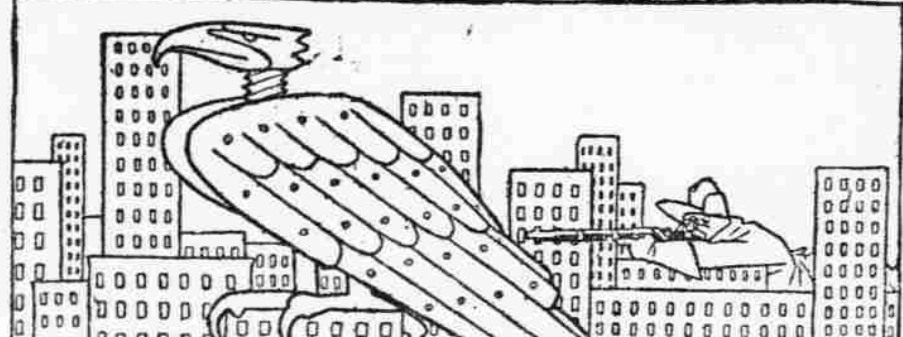
Ellnor Glynn has studied us long enough to feel warranted in saying that the American man is a hunter of dollars. That isn't so hard a summing up of his predominant characteristics as the American man had reason to fear, considering the Glynn method and manner of studying and analyzing the masculine bent. However, perhaps this discovery is merely preliminary to something more startling.

Queen Victoria's letters, which have recently been published, are an important contribution to the intimate history of an age of English thought and literature which bears the same relation to Tonysony, published some years ago, have long since dispelled the idea that she was only a symbol and a name. The new volumes show more abundantly that she was a keen, vigorous thinker about men and events, if she had a genius for statesmanship, she had also a genius for an art quite as rare, the art of letter writing.

French and South American delegates to The Hague conference recently presented a copy of Rodin's statue, "The Awakening of Humanity," to Mons. Bergeon, the French diplomat, who was present at the conference. In his speech of acceptance he said that the delegates at The Hague had heard "the whispering of the universal conscience, the first slow but regular beating of the heart of humanity." The Hague conference was worth while, if it did no more than inspire that message.

A Boston woman recently celebrated her golden jubilee as a cook. It is said that during this time she has made 234,999 pies and 2,000,000 doughnuts, and has remained all this time in one place. Here is interesting information for that portion of the populace which has never credited Boston women with a knowledge of anything less intellectual than psychology. After all, remarks the Baltimore American, perhaps it is easier even in Boston for civilized man to live without books than to live without cooks.

## THE GERMAN IDEA OF THE AMERICAN PANIC.



(1) "Then I saw a bird of prey (Trusty sitting on his perch) place (the Common People)"



(2) "I took the bird right in the back of the neck, and that—Bless!"



(3) "But, Lord! What an Explosion! I Tell You What, the Next Time I'll Take Good Care Not to Hit Him!"

## BURGLARS ROB BANK

WRECK VAULT AT MCCURTIN, OKLA., WITH DYNAMITE.

POSTOFFICE AND STORE IN THE SAME VICINITY VISITED BEFORE BANK WAS ENTERED.

Muskogee, Okla.—At an early hour Thursday morning robbers blew the safe of the McCurtin State bank at McCurtin, Haskell county, and escaped with \$3,000 in currency and 125 pounds of gold, mostly in the form of small bills.

The safe was blown with dynamite, the explosion arousing a watchman, who gave the alarm. Posses quickly gathered at the scene, but not before the bandits had fled. It is supposed they headed toward this city, and every highway and railroad leading into town is being guarded. Officers and posses are also in pursuit.

A short time before daylight the postoffice at Crowder, a short distance from McCurtin, was entered, the safe blown and \$20 in stamps and the same amount of money taken. The hardware store of J. L. Barba was also entered and several revolvers and rifles taken.

RIOT ROUSES CANADA.

British Subjects Demand Government Support and Treaty's Annulment.

Ottawa, Ont.—Wednesday's riot in the Japanese quarter at Vancouver, with the fatal ending of one white man and the serious injury of two others, promises to bring Canada's troubles with the mikado's subject to a speedy crisis.

Thursday's morning papers all over the Dominion contained editorials plainly intimating that the colonial government is expected to abrogate the treaty with Japan and boldly asserting that England must not dare, in the face of that alone of Canada, the fact that the Australian and South African public opinion, to refuse its support to its subjects in the new world, even though Japan may be antagonized by such attitude.

News of the troubles at Vancouver have been sent to Italy, and the expressions, both in official and unofficial circles, are bitterly against the treaty and every one concerned in negotiating it.

Daughter's Wedding Like Mother's.

Muncie, Ind.—A minister who married her parents, on the same night of the month and year 25 years ago, and at the same hour, married Miss Kitty Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Cooper, and Emmet Mann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mann. The minister was the Rev. W. W. Ross.

Sedalia Official Will Pay Fare.

Well-Known Astronomer Is Dead.

Little Rock, Ark.—Judge Jacob Treiber of the Federal court appointed Judge M. L. Stephenson of Hot Springs to receive the bluff City Lumber Co., in answer to the petition of creditors.

Lifeless Hand on the Key.

Vincennes, Ind.—W. H. Bennett, 40 years old, ticket agent at the Central railroad station here, was found paralyzed sitting with his hand on the telegraph key. He died in three hours after being discovered.

Arrested for Robbing Flats.

New York—Detectives Hughes, Stanford, Donohue and Haggerty of the Harlem Detective Bureau arrested four young men who, they assert, have committed many robberies in Harlem flats.

Foreclosure on Hot Springs Hotel.

Little Rock, Ark.—In the United States circuit court here in the case of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank of Chicago against the Park Hotel Co. of Hot Springs, a decree of foreclosure was entered and the property ordered sold.

BattleShip Kansas Accepted.

Washington—The navy department finally accepted the battleship Kansas. She is attached to the First division of the first squadron of the Atlantic fleet.

## MINERS IN HIGH SPIRITS.

Entombed Three Send Out Word They Never Felt Better.

Ely, Nev.—Rescue work in the Alpha shaft of the Groux Company's shaft is going slowly ahead. An average of 10 feet a day is the best speed at present. Work is being done a short distance below the 75-foot mark under the 500 level.

Solid ground has not yet been reached in the shaft, but on account of precautions being taken by the men as they go down, the work is now practically safe for them.

The three entombed miners are showing remarkable endurance and seem as well satisfied with their situation as they have been at any time since the first cave-in, nearly a month ago.

Fred Brown has been troubled with insomnia, but he suffered from that before his imprisonment. He is in the best of spirits and eats heartily. A. D. Bailey and Peter McDonald say they never felt better in their lives.

Land Drawings Attached.

Washington, D. C.—Fraud orders were issued by the Postoffice Department against the Homeowners' Co-operative Colonization Company of Hot Springs, Ark., a corporation to make drawings of lands for a new town, Millston, in Texas, and against the Rock Island & Pacific Company of St. Louis, stating a similar scheme at Greentland, Ark.

To Name New Cardinal.

Rome.—In an interview, Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary of state, gave positive assurance that before the end of the coming year and possibly at the next consistory, which is to take place shortly before Easter, another American cardinal will be created.

Two Girls Starve to Death.

Grafton, W. Va.—As the result of starvation, two members of the family of James Cleveland of Flemington, ten miles west of this city, are dead, another is critically ill and the other five are clinging on to bare existence. Residents of the community were ignorant of the situation.

Twenty Killed in Wreck.

Lahore, India.—Dispatch says 20 persons have been killed in a railroad collision near Libbiana, in Northwest India. Of the dead four are Europeans and the rest are natives. The crash was between two passenger trains. Both were running 30 miles an hour.

Second Recent Death in Same Office.

Washington, D. C.—For the second time within a few months the office of Secretary General of the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons, Southern Jurisdiction, has been made vacant by death.

Frisco Engine Explodes.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Engine No. 2731 on the St. Louis & San Francisco railway exploded near Luther, Okla. Thursday night. Engineer P. M. Conway and Fireman J. T. Teeters were badly injured.

His Trunk Bank Robbed.

Seranton, Pa.—Withdrawing his savings of several years from one of the city banks, Jerome Protovich locked them in his trunk at his boarding house. The door counted up \$1,675. The money disappeared while Protovich was at work.

Killed by Fractious Mule.

Tampana, Pa.—A fractious mule rolled over an Isaac Hollenbach, a driver employed in one of the L. C. and N. Co. mines, killing him instantly.

Aeronauts Make Wager.

Paris.—An interesting wager has just been made between Signor Vincenzo Florio and Signor Alfredo von Weller, each betting \$20,000 that he will win a year construct an aeroplane with which he will fly in a circle a distance of 1,500 meters.

Italy Orders Mail Steamers.

Rome.—The Italian government has placed orders in England for the construction of ten large steamers for mail carrying purposes under state control.

French Writers Nurse War Flame.

Paris.—French writers continue their attempts to excite public opinion in the matter of Japanese-American relations. This effort has been going on from the moment that the first Japanese-American friction became apparent.

Mounted Test Extended.

Washington—President Roosevelt has extended his horsemanship requirements to candidates for appointment in the army from civil life as second lieutenants.

## PETTIBONE FREED

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY WAS BROUGHT IN BY BOISE JURY.

ORCHARD'S STORY NOT CREDITED

Twelve Men in Famous Miner's Case Were Out All Night—Pettibone Seriously Ill.

Boise, Idaho—George A. Pettibone, former official of the Western Federation of Miners, was acquitted by a jury here Saturday of the charge of complicity in the assassination of ex-Gov. Frank Steiensen. Pettibone is seriously ill.

The principal evidence against Pettibone was that given by Harry Orchard, the self-confessed slayer of 20 men. But Orchard's story failed, as it did in the trial of William D. Haywood, secretary of the Federation, who was acquitted, because the prosecution was unable to introduce corroborative evidence connecting the defendant with the conspiracy alleged to exist in the federation against the lives of the miners' opponents.

The jury began its deliberations at 8:30 o'clock Friday night. The defense carried out its announced resolution not to argue the case, this preventing Senator Borah from addressing the jury.

Bryan Hints at Candidacy.

Nacogdoches, Texas—William J. Bryan practically announced his candidacy for the presidential chair. He concluded his speech with this statement: "Those of you who may never have an opportunity to hear a real live president of the United States, can at least say now that you heard one speak who on two different occasions cherished the delusion that he was going to be a real live president, and he feels the disease coming on again."

\$1,086,000 Dwindles to \$30,000.

New York—After 10 years, shareholders of the defunct Republic Savings and Loan Association will receive 6 cents on the dollar. The last report of the company showed it had assets of \$1,086,000. Now, after the payment of "attorneys' fees, referees' fees, disbursements for counsel, salaries of clerks and rent, the shareholders may divide the remainder, \$30,000.

Reply to Pope's Encyclical.

Berlin.—The recent conference of Catholic bishops at Cologne, which discussed the pope's encyclical against modernism in the faith, has replied to the encyclical in a letter. The letter declares that the encyclical was most opportune and wise, and that the modernists' many and varied errors and to examine into their causes and announce their pernicious effects.

One Killed, One Hurt, by Auto.

Hastings, Neb.—John Brown was killed and G. F. Fisher was mortally wounded early Friday, when the automobile which Brown was driving went over the side of a bridge and fell 40 feet. The men were caught under the machine.

Japs Said to Be Near Hawaii.

Paris—La Patrie, in its issue Friday afternoon, asks, in big headlines, "Where is the Japanese fleet?" and publishes an alarmist story based on reports that it has been seen cruising off Hawaii.

Confesses to Murder.

Berlin.—The mystery surrounding the killing of Major von Schomberg in his home on Christ mass eve has been cleared by the confession of Capt. von Goeben, one of the most distinguished artillery officers of the German army.

Crackmen Busy in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—The safe in the office of the Oklahoma Highway Company was broken by robbers at an early hour Friday. They secured \$18. The door of the safe was blown a distance of 10 feet and all the fixtures in the office were wrecked.

White Men Slashed by Japs.

Vancouver, B. C.—Alan Anderson, a fireman, is dying and two other firemen of the city fire department are badly wounded in the hospital as the result of a fight early Tuesday morning with a number of Japanese.

Cecilia Loftus Is Seriously Ill.

Los Angeles.—Cecilia Loftus, the actress, is in a serious condition in a private hospital as a result of an operation for appendicitis performed Wednesday.

Negro Shoots Majority Candidate.

Huntington, W. Va.—Ford Gaines, candidate for mayor, was shot down on the street by a negro on the eve of the municipal election.

Bucket Shop Law Upheld.

Little Rock, Ark.—The United States Judge Jacob Treiber Thursday up held the anti-bucket shop law passed by the last Arkansas legislature.

Legion of Honor for American.

Paris—Raphael Well of San Francisco has been made a member of the Legion of Honor, and M. Thiebaut, who was formerly first secretary of the French embassy at Washington, has been gazetted an officer of the Legion.

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Chester, Pa.—When "Jim," a pet gold fish, the property of Druggist Harry Kershaw of the West End, died, the owner and his wife decided to give "Jim" a decent burial. A small easel was made, the fish placed in it and the interment accomplished in the yard at the rear of the Kershaw residence.

Farmer Drowned at Paducah.

Paducah, Ky.—Henry Ashley, 40 years old, farmer living near here, was drowned.

Drowned Man from Decatur.

Long Beach, Calif.—The body of the man who fell from the top of a building was drowned here, has been partially identified as that of George W. Mark, formerly recorder of the Modern Woodmen Lodge No. 144, Decatur, Ill.

Will Move to Sweden.

Stockholm—It is rumored Prince Philipp zu Eulenburg intends to buy a large estate near Stockholm and settle down in Sweden. His wife, who is a countess, Augusta von Sandels, was born in Stockholm.

## BOMB IN K. C. BANK

EXPLOSION WRECKS BASEMENT OF NEW FIRST NATIONAL.

TEN PERSONS ARE INJURED

Fumes and Smoke Lead to the Belief That Dynamite Was the Explosive Used.

Kansas City, Mo.—An attempt to blow up the Western National bank building with dynamite was made at noon Saturday. Just as the bank was closing its doors for the day an explosion, the force of which wrecked the entire basement of the bank, occurred, while the wardrobe rooms were filled with fumes, who were getting ready to go to lunch.

The force of the explosion was terrific. All the evidence points directly to a dynamite bomb. A great hole was made in the floor of the cloakroom. Another hole 2 feet square was made in the wall, which is 18 inches thick. A steel beam 2 feet wide and several inches thick was bent, and the wall of steel, tile and terra-cotta was completely destroyed. This wall divides the cloakroom and the toilet room, was a foot and a half thick.

Ten Men Hurt.

Ten men were injured in the explosion, but none seriously. No arrests have been made. Joseph Peck, a Hungarian carpenter of the police station, was taken to the police station and questioned by the police. No charge was preferred against the man. He was soon released.

Just two minutes after the closing hour the main room of the bank was crowded with customers and many of the clerks were in the basement.

E. F. Swinney, president of the bank, was in his private office when the explosion occurred.

John Pelletier, superintendent of the insurance patrol, who was transacting business with the bank at the time, shouted:

"Be calm, it's all over now."

"I realized," said Mr. Pelletier, "that it was an explosion, but of what nature I did not know just then. My first thought was that it was natural gas, this theory was dispelled on examination."

A general alarm was turned in, and when the fire department arrived the main floor was filled with a pungent smoke or grayish color. The smell was that of powder or dynamite.

On examination Assistant Fire Chief Henderson and Supt. Pelletier said that they were convinced that the explosion was of dynamite and not of natural gas.

EVERY SYSTEM THREATENED.

Dissolution Suit Against Pacific Railroad of Far-Reaching Effect.

Washington, D. C.—Every railroad system in the United States is threatened with dissolution as a result of the decision of the administration to institute a suit against the various railroads in acquiring parallel or connecting lines.

Powers Jury Failed to Agree.

Georgetown, Ky.—The fourth trial of Caleb Powers, charged with complicity in the murder of George Goebel, has come to naught.

At 11:45 Saturday morning, Judge Morris sent the jury to ascertain what probability there was that a verdict might be reached. Foreman Price reiterated his declaration of Friday that he would not accept any agreement, existed. This served to convince the judge and he discharged the jury, after voicing regret over the trial's outcome.

Search for Iowa Doctor Futile.

Burlington, Iowa.—Every sewer, catch basin and storm drain in Burlington has been searched, in the hope of finding the body of Dr. George W. Jones of Keokuk, who disappeared from here Christmas evening, but to no purpose. It is believed he threw himself into the river.

Hurt in Car Collision.

Evansville, Ind.—A passenger car collided with a freight car on the traction line between here and Mount Vernon Saturday morning, 12 miles out of town. The driver of the Mount Vernon was killed and several passengers were fatally injured.

Roosevelt Calls for Resignation.

Washington, D. C.—The president has asked for the resignation of Ernest C. Peterson, surveyor general at Boise, Idaho. There has been friction between Eggleston and officials of the land office here.

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Flip of Coin Picks Home.

St. Louis—A flip of a coin decided for Gertrude Bauer, 18 years old, whether she would become the ward of the family of P. G. Murray, treasurer of the Carlyle Dairy Co., living at 2554 Cook avenue, or of the family of Robert J. Newton, publisher, of 4531A Labadie avenue. The toss up favored Newton and he took her to his home. The police did not receive any answer to a letter sent to the girl's father in Pendleton, Mo.

Judge Gray Quits.

Jefferson City—Governor Folk received the resignation of Howard Gray, judge of the Carthage district of the Jasper county circuit. In his letter he takes exception to a ruling of the supreme court with reference to the \$1,200 a year additional salary allowed by the legislature. The supreme court holds that judges, where one county composes the circuit, are not entitled to this increase.

Conference on Salmon Case.

St. Louis—N. T. Geary, Jefferson City, assistant attorney general, arrived in the city to meet the attorneys engaged in the prosecution and defense of Harvey W. Salmon, charged with violation of the banking laws. The meeting is for the purpose of agreeing upon the arrangement of the evidence for the appeal.

Holden Lacks 200 Voters.

Holden.—The city council, in special session Jan. 2, authorized a special census to determine whether this city had the required number of inhabitants to obtain the privilege of voting separately on the local option question. The census was completed and fell short about 200 votes, so Holden will be required by law to vote with the county.

Highwayman Is Overpowered.

Jefferson City—A futile attempt was made to hold up former Sheriff Samuel Sosa, who lives in the suburbs of the city. The former county official and Geo. Knollmeyer, a merchant, turned on the robber, seized him and held him until the police arrived. When searched at the police station no weapon was found.

Fights Requisition to Indiana.

Jefferson City—A contest was waged before Governor Folk between Indiana parties, relative to a requisition for the return to Grant county, Ind., of James I. Settle, formerly a traveling salesman for the Marion Paint Co. of Marion, Ind. The specific charge lodged by the company was that Settle obtained \$20 under false pretenses.

Missing Man Had \$1,000.

St. Louis—The St. Louis police have been asked to look for Prof. Henry Bornemann, a pianist, of Kilmuswick, Mo., who was last seen October 14, boarding a train in Chicago for St. Louis. He had with him \$1,000, which he had collected in Germany as his share of his father's estate.

Unique Church Dedicated.

Joplin—The East Joplin Congregational church, an edifice built without one cent of Joplin money, was dedicated New Year's night. The money was contributed largely by a Kansas City woman and by a St. Louis millionaire. Sherman A.